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5. (Unclassified- GLC) Talked with Jack Leahy, State Department Congressional Liaison, on several matters. I advised him of our contacts with USIA and with Messrs. Wohlschlag and Wenker, State Department, with respect to Executive Branch action on the postal rate bill, H.R. 7927. I advised Leahy that we were giving to USIA, for use without Agency attribution, some material including statistics on acquisitions under the Foreign Publications Procurement Program.

I queried Leahy concerning the Director's intention to go on record with the Senate Foreign Relations Committee in support of State Department's bill to authorize an additional Assistant Secretary of State position. Leahy mentioned that State expected considerable opposition to this bill in Senate Foreign Relations where certain members feel the Department already has too many Assistant Secretaries. He also mentioned that the provisions of this bill, S. 3459, are also being incorporated in a package bill which contains other legislation for the Department. However, Leahy felt from Mr. McCone's position it would be preferable to comment on the original bill which dealt only with the position.

Mr. Leahy advised me that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee was filing a favorable report today on S. 3656, to amend the Communications Act with respect to the establishment of low-powered radio transmitters. The bill will then be referred to the Commerce Committee for review in the technical aspects.

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